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SUBJECT: ITALY RECEPTIVE TO GAER REELECTION TO COMMITTEE
AGAINST TORTURE

REF: SECSTATE 108642

Classified By: Acting Political M/C Jonathan R. Cohen for reasons 1.4 (b) and (d).

(C) Poloff delivered dipnote, CV and reftel points to MFA Acting UN Office Director Gabriella Biondi and urged Italy to support Felice Baer's reelection to the United Nations Committee Against Torture. Biondi confirmed that Italy does not have a candidate running in the election. Biondi said she did not foresee any problem supporting Gear, but that Italy would wait for the full slate of candidates before making a decision.
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